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ANOTHER SUSPECTED TERRORIST

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[C. C\)](#) TD 314/01784-07

Classified By: DCM Daniel Rubinstein for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

[1](#)1. (U) Jordanian security forces engaged in a three-hour gun-battle with two gunmen early on January 9 in Irbid, Jordan's second largest city, 52 miles north of Amman. According to media, Sulayman Ghayyad al-Anjadi - a Jordanian of Palestinian origin - was killed, and another Jordanian, Ramadan Mustafa al-Manisi was arrested. The shooting began when security forces raided a house in the Al-Matla area of Irbid. The two men barricaded themselves in the house and fired on Jordanian security officers, wounding several.

[1](#)2. (C) According to Public Security Directorate (PSD) contacts, the two gunmen were hiding in a single-family home with three Kalashnikov rifles and two pistols. The GoJ placed the home under surveillance January 8 based on information developed by Jordan's intelligence service. According to PSD Director Eitan, the entry into the home by PSD's antiterrorist Unit 14 was difficult and the gunmen were well trained and equipped. The raid left seven PSD members lightly wounded.

[1](#)3. (C) Anjadi was previously linked to Azmi Abdel Fattah Al Jayyusi, who led a suspected Al Qaeda cell (reftels), and is currently in prison in Jordan. GoJ authorities allege that Anjadi was planning an attempt to help Jayyusi escape from prison.

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